

SENATE BILL 81

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39,
Chapter 16 and Title 55, Chapter 8, relative to
traffic offense quotas.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 16, Part 5, is amended by
adding the following new section:

39-16-516.

(a) A political subdivision or any agency of this state may not establish or maintain, formally or informally, a plan to evaluate, promote, compensate, or discipline a peace officer according to the officer's issuance of a predetermined or specified number of any type or combination of types of traffic citations.

(b) A political subdivision or any agency of this state may not require or suggest to a peace officer that the peace officer is required or expected to issue a predetermined or specified number of any type or combination of types of traffic citations within a specified period.

(c) A violation of this section by an elected official is misconduct in office under § 8-47-101 and Article VI, Section 6 of the Constitution of Tennessee, and a ground for removal from office. A violation of this section by a person who is not an elected official is a ground for disciplinary action, including, removal from the person's position.

(d) In this section:

(1) "Conviction" means the rendition of an order by a court imposing a punishment of incarceration or a fine.

(2) "Traffic offense" means an offense under title 55.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.